

ABSTRACT

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The invention consists to propose an ultra low cost basic set top box with extension module connection possibility. Instead of proposing one STB for each market, which increase the overall costs, only one STB is marketed. In addition of this unique referenced STB, a set of modules are proposed. To connect the modules, different solutions are possible. As the high volume is based on the basis STB, the cost of the add-on module has to be very low. The solution consists in a card-edge board to board connector, where the connector is on the module, and not on the STB. As consequences the main board will only include contacts footprints. The basic STB can be defined after a marketing study and includes the needed features for High-volumes market. The customer only pays for the features he wants.

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Application : Low cost STB.

Ref. : FIG.3